

House Resolution 111

By: Representatives Rogers of the 26th, Mills of the 25th, Collins of the 27th, and Benton of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the memory of Mr. J. Wendell Lancaster and expressing regret at his passing; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, news of the passing of J. Wendell Lancaster, late of Gainesville, Georgia, is
4 received with deep regret by this body; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Lancaster honorably served his country in the U.S. Army during World
6 War II; and

7 WHEREAS, he was a lifelong resident of Gainesville, where he was the founder of J.
8 Wendell Lancaster Jewelry and Music Company in downtown Gainesville; and

9 WHEREAS, he was involved in a number of retail businesses and real estate developments
10 in Gainesville; and

11 WHEREAS, as president of the Gainesville Downtown Merchants Association, he was
12 instrumental in securing funding for the construction of the Georgia Mountains Center; and

13 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Free Chapel Worship Center and served for many years
14 as deacon, Sunday school superintendent, and choir director; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Lancaster leaves behind a loving and devoted family, including his wife,
16 Katie Franklin Lancaster; a son and daughter, five stepchildren, and many grandchildren; and

17 WHEREAS, while in life he commanded the esteem of his fellow Georgians, in his death we
18 mingle our sympathies with the grief of his family and friends.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body honor the memory of Mr. J. Wendell Lancaster and express their
3 regret at his passing.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. J. Wendell
6 Lancaster.